
SIDELITES

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

September 2024



Join us for Reunion Sunday! We will have one worship service at 10:00AM, including a Blessing of the Backpacks (*students, bring your backpacks to worship!*), and our 3rd Grade Bible milestone. Following worship, join us for a meal served by the Fellowship Team, as well as dessert served by youth who attended the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans. We will also have games and a bounce house outside for children!

September Worship Schedule



September 1st:	Worship at 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM <i>No fellowship hour – Labor Day weekend</i>
September 8th:	Worship at 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM
September 15th:	Reunion Sunday One Service at 10:00 AM
September 22nd:	Worship at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM
September 29th:	Worship at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

7:30 PM Wednesday Worship begins September 18th.

Mission Corner:

We pray for students returning to class and all educators and parents who support them. Keep them all safe and nurtured. Help us as your forgiven your people to share and show your love with all your loved ones in the world. We thank you for your continued grace for all our community. Amen.



Together

*As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"
Romans 10:15*

"How was New Orleans?" Many in the congregation have asked that questions of me since returning from the ELCA Youth Gathering. The answer is that it was terrific, amazing, and inspiring. I also want you to know these things: Our youth were wonderful on the bus, in the hotels, at the museums, in the restaurants, and at the Gathering. They welcomed Isaac, who is from Belgrade, into our group because his church wasn't attending. They were good and kind to each other. They listened and were respectful. They appreciated and fully participated in the Gathering activities. It was a joy to walk alongside them as one of the adult leaders, knowing they were growing in faith and growing in knowledge of who they are as a child of God. Thank you for making this possible with your prayers, encouragement, and financial support. What's next?

A new school year means we will be in full swing with confirmation and LinC†, key faith formation ministries at Our Savior's. Here too, your prayers, encouragement, and financial support are needed. We already have students new to Our Savior's registered! How is the Spirit nudging you to help pass on faith to our children and youth? The stories of our faith don't change, but the world around us does. We need to be open, informed, and willing to make changes in order to meet our children and youth in the world they live in. I think that takes all of us, as we keep the promise we make at each baptism to help and support our parents raise our children in the Christian faith. It is parents and church together that do this important work.

What is your role? If it is to pray, pray for our children, youth, parents, youth and children's teams, staff, teachers, and helpers. If it is to help, speak with Lindsay or Pastor Dave on where you might be needed. If it is to encourage, think of ways you can be encouraging to the families you know. Together, we can continue to grow these ministries.

"What's next," is something we ask a lot in ministry. Join me in continuing to pray for, encourage, and support our children's and youth ministries. Together, let's pass on the life changing love of Jesus to our children and youth.

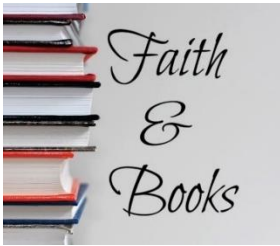
Pastor Kathy

A new photo directory is coming to Our Savior's! You will receive a mailing the first week of September with all the details of the new directory. Included in the letter is a form so we are sure to have your updated address and phone number.

Photos for directory may be submitted or you can have a photo taken at church. Submitted photos should be emailed to oslcchurchstaff@gmail.com. The photo should clearly show the entire face(s) of those in the photos, and have a background that is not distracting. Pictures will be taken at church for those who would rather not submit a photo. This is for the directory only, and will be taken with a cell phone:

- Sunday, September 15th, from 9:00AM - 9:45AM, and 11:00AM - Noon.
- Wednesday, September 18th, from 5:00PM - 6:20PM.
- Sunday, September 22nd, from 9:30AM - 10:30AM.
- Wednesday, September 25th, from 5:00PM - 6:20PM.
- Sunday, September 29th, from 9:30AM - 10:30AM.

Looking ahead: There will be a council and ministry team retreat on Sunday, October 6th. It will be from Noon - 2:00PM, at church.



Faith and Books meets on Wednesday, September 11th, at 5:30PM in the church library. The book for September is *Tom Lake*, by Ann Patchett. Please note that there is not supper available for the September meeting.

Looking ahead, the October book is *The Women: A Novel*, by Kristin Hannah. Contact Pastor Kathy if you have any questions.

Vikings/Packers Game Watch Party

September 29th at Noon

Join for a potluck with the adult ministry team as we cheer on the Vikings! Sign up on the bulletin board in the Social Hall for what you would like to bring.

Wednesday Night Suppers

We are so grateful to be gathering again on Wednesday evenings (*beginning September 18th*) for suppers from 5:00PM-6:15PM! All proceeds from the free will offering go to support Wednesday LinC† programming.



September 18th:

Tacos

September 25th:

Spaghetti

WELCA News

Programs are starting up again! Do you like working with fabric? Join us for our Mission Quilt Assembly project the 4th Tuesday of each month at 9:00AM.

Join one of our circles! Beautiful Savior Circle meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 1:00PM. Immanuel Circle meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:00AM.

New Members at Our Savior's

We will be welcoming new members at worship on **October 13th**. We will have a New Member Orientation on Thursday, October 10th, at 6:30PM. Children are welcome! If you are interested in becoming a member at Our Savior's, or to sign up for orientation, please contact Jen at (507) 233-4430 or office@oursaviorsnewulm.org.



Because of You Our Church Changes Lives Stewardship Drive 2024

Stewardship is about how we use all that God has entrusted to our care — our time, our talents, and our treasures — to love God and our neighbors, both inside and outside of the church walls and our homes. Beginning in October, the stewardship team at Our Savior's will have a variety of opportunities related to sharing and growing the gifts God has given us. There will be opportunities to learn how your gifts have changed lives, to learn ways you can share your gifts (time, talents and treasures) at Our Savior's, and to grow in your understanding of what stewardship means in your own life.



Living in Christ Together

Faith Formation on Wednesdays and Sundays

Wednesdays Beginning September 11th

Sundays Beginning September 15th (meet & greet day)

LinCt for Kindergarten through 6th Grade is offered on Wednesday afternoon or Sunday morning, and families may choose either day. Our Preschoolers (3 and 4 year olds as of September 1st) have LinCt on Sunday mornings only. More information will be available at our Parent Meetings. Registration is open now online at <http://www.oursaviorsnewulm.org/linct-online-registration.html> or pick up a paper form by the Children's Board.

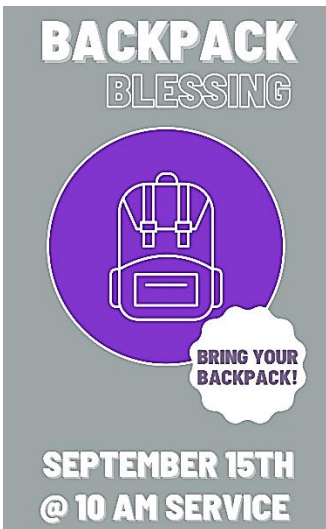
Wednesdays at Our Savior's

- 3:30PM – LinCt (Grades K-6)
- 5:00PM – Wednesday Suppers (all ages)
- 5:45PM – Adult Handbells
- 6:30PM – Adult Choir
- 6:30PM – 5th and 6th Grade Youth Group
- 6:30PM - 8:00PM – Confirmation (Grades 7-9)
- 7:30PM – **Worship** (All ages)

Sundays at Our Savior's

- 8:30AM – **Worship***
- 9:30 AM – Coffee & Fellowship
- 9:40AM – LinCt (Preschool-Grade 6)
- 10:30AM – **Worship***

**Sunday Worship times beginning
September 22nd**



Wednesday LinCt Snack Helpers

We are looking to form a group of 5-10 retired people to serve snacks for LinCt each Wednesday of the school year. We are hoping that this group would make their own schedule and rotate who serves each week. This simple job makes the world of difference for our program! The snacks are prepackaged, so the tasks include organizing the snacks in baskets and assisting with clean up. It would require being in the kitchen from 3:00PM – 4:00PM on the Wednesdays of LinCt. Please contact Lindsay!

Wednesday LinCt Snack Helper Meeting

September 3rd at 10:00AM

Join us for coffee and training! Please contact Lindsay with any questions.

Snacks for our Wednesday After School LinCt Program:

We are asking for donations of individually-wrapped treats that we can easily have ready for the kids when they get here after school. There is a box marked "Wednesday LinCt Snacks" by the church office. If you would be willing to donate treats for the children, we would greatly appreciate it. Here is the list of snacks we are looking for, and again, they need to be individually-wrapped.

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| Fruit Snacks | Small bags of Gold Fish Crackers |
| Fruit Roll Ups | Small bags of potato chips (or other chips) |
| Granola Bars | Little Debbie snacks |
| Small bags of Animal Crackers (or other cookies) | |



Faith Milestones

3rd Grade Bible Milestone:

Sunday, September 15th

10:00 AM Worship presentation

9:00 AM Milestone Class (for parents & 3rd graders)

7th Grade Bible Milestone:

Wednesday, September 18th

7:30 PM Worship presentation

(after Confirmation)

3 Year Old Bible Milestone

Sunday, September 29th

10:30 AM Worship presentation

9:40 AM Bible Milestone Class (for parents & preschoolers)

LinC† and Confirmation Final Parent Meetings

- September 8th 9:30AM Sanctuary - Confirmation
- September 8th 9:30AM Upper Room - LinC†

These meetings will go over all relevant details for our program year; schedule and calendar, rules, expectations, purpose. As a parent to a student in Confirmation or LinC†, you are required to attend these meetings. There will also be a covenant agreement to make sure we are all holding to the same expectations. If you are unable to make it to the meeting, please contact Pr. Dave or Lindsay.

Confirmation 2024-2025

Confirmation will begin again on Wednesday September 18th at 6:30PM. We will also be having multiple meetings for confirmation before we begin. Attendance at one of these meetings is required. This is to help all parents and guardians know what is going on in confirmation, the expectations, the requirements, and to pass on very important information. Attendance will be taken at each meeting to make sure that each student has had one of their parents or guardians attend one of these meetings. These meetings will be under 30 minutes long. These meetings also coincide with the LinC† meetings. We will also have a covenant agreement to clarify our rules and expectations. Registration can be completed online on the church website (available now!) or on paper. Paper forms can be found by the Youth Board.

Volunteers needed for Faith Formation Leaders

Our programs are only successful with the help of Volunteers. We are blessed to have so many kids attend our programs!

In order to keep our LinC† programs running smoothly and safely, we need 10 volunteer adults per week. Please consider helping. What does volunteering for LinC† look like? Reading a bible story, leading an activity, or game, leading the kids in prayer, sharing your faith, and being a positive adult role model for kids.

We are still looking for two boys small group leaders for Confirmation. You would attend our large group lesson, then have 30 minutes with a group of 5-6 boys, going over material with them that reviews the large group lesson. These lessons are all mapped out for you. Then you would attend worship with them for half an hour. All together, you would impact their faith by being another person of faith. Please consider volunteering as we raise up people of faith who are prepared to bring the love of God to the world!



Dear OSLC,

Thank you so much for the gift that helped us afford the New Orleans expenses during the ELCA National Young Adult Gathering. It was an experience that was unimaginable. I really enjoyed being in a place where everyone is celebrating themselves as a child of God. My favorite moments happened in worship, learning and connecting to new songs. My favorite speaker was Jacqueline Bussie, speaking on being an “anyways person” and optimistic style of living. Thank you so much again for your support during ELCA Young Adult Gathering.

- Ellie Wilker

Dear Pastor Kathy & OSLC Staff,

Thank you for allowing us back into this space for the summer. We appreciate your welcoming spirits. The kids have really found comfort in having a safe and fun space to play in. Thanks again,

- Kids Kamp Staff – Alex, Molly, Olivia, & Macey

The OSLC staff have new email addresses!

The church staff have recently converted over to new email addresses. You can now contact us at the following addresses:

Pastor Kathy seniorpastor@oursaviorsnewulm.org

Pastor Dave associate@oursaviorsnewulm.org

Jen office@oursaviorsnewulm.org

Lindsay education@oursaviorsnewulm.org

Tom music@oursaviorsnewulm.org

Lois's email will remain lois@oursaviorsnewulm.org

The Festival of Installation of Bishop Jen Nagel

ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton will install Bishop Jen Nagel (*daughter of Our Savior's Lutheran Church*) as the fourth Bishop of the Minneapolis Area Synod.

Saturday, September 21; 10:30 a.m.

[Central Lutheran Church](#)

[333 South 12th Street, Minneapolis](#)

When you arrive at Central, make sure to enter the lot through one of the three open air entrances; do not enter the ramp directly from the street, or you will have to pay for parking.



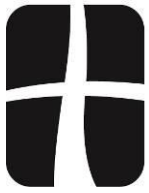
A light reception will follow the installation service. To find service details, a livestream link, and choir sign-up (all are welcome to join the festival choir), visit the synod website: <https://mpls-synod.org>.

September 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:30am Worship 10:00am Worship	2 <i>Church Office Closed</i>	3 9:00am Staff Meeting 10:00am LinCt Snack Helper Meeting	4 <i>First Day of School ISD 88</i> 11:00am WELCA Board Meeting	5 10:30am Ridgeway Memory Care Service 11:00am Ridgeway on 23rd Service 4:00pm Pro Kinship Monthly Meeting	6	7 8:30am Men's Bible Study
8 8:30am Worship 9:30am Confirmation Parent Meeting 9:30am Fellowship 9:30am LinCt Parent Meeting 10:00am Worship	9	10 9:00am Staff Meeting 5:30pm Adult Ministry Team 6:00pm Youth Ministry Team	11 9:00am Cards of Caring 10:30am NU Ministerial Mtg 1:00pm Beautiful Savior Circle 3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:30pm Children's Ministry 5:30pm Faith & Books 5:45pm Adult Handbells	12 9:00am Immanuel Circle 4:00pm Oak Hills Worship Service	13 <i>ISD 88 Homecoming</i>	14 8:30am Men's Bible Study
15 <i>3rd Grade Bible Milestone</i> 9:00am Directory Photos 10:00am Reunion Sunday Worship 11:00am Directory Photos Session	16	17 9:00am Staff Meeting 6:00pm Deacons Ministry Team 6:00pm Mission Ministry Team 7:00pm Stewardship Team	18 <i>7th Grade Bible Milestone</i> 10:00am Coffee at Garden Terrace 3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:00pm Directory Photos 5:00pm Wednesday Suppers 5:45pm Adult Handbells 6:30pm 5th & 6th Gr. Group 6:30pm Adult Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 7:30pm Worship 8:00pm 10th Grade Confirmation	19 9:30am Conference Rostered Leaders	20	21 8:30am Men's Bible Study
22 Noisy Offering Sunday 8:30am Worship 9:30am Directory Photos 9:30am Fellowship 9:40am Sunday LinCt 10:30am Worship	23 Sidelites Deadline	24 9:00am Staff Meeting 6:00pm Facilities & Grounds Team 6:30pm Finance Committee 7:00pm Church Council Meeting	25 11:45am Food Shelf Volunteering 3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:00pm Directory Photos 5:00pm Wednesday Suppers 5:45pm Adult Handbells 6:30pm 5th & 6th Gr. Group 6:30pm Adult Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 7:30pm Worship 8:00pm 10th Grade Confirmation	26	27 8:30am Sidelites Group	28 Widmer/Zupfer Wedding 8:30am Men's Bible Study
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Have you moved recently, changed your phone number/email address, or gotten rid of a land line? Would you like to sign up to receive our weekly emails? Please contact Jen with any updates at office@oursaviorsnewulm.org, or call the church at (507) 233-4430.



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Worship Schedule

Beginning September 22nd:

Sunday Worship – 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

Wednesday Worship – 7:30 PM

Television Broadcasts

(Comcast Channel 14; Nuvera Channel 3)

Mon.–7:00 PM; Thurs. – 5:00 PM

4th Thursday of the month – 6:00 PM

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OUR SAVIOR'S is a Welcoming

community, experiencing God,

reaching out and raising up followers of

Jesus Christ